

To the Commissioners:

This comment is being filed because I believe that the proposed changes effecting ownership of radio, television and other media outlets in the United States is not in the best interest of the American people.

My understanding of the FCC is that you as commissioners have the fiduciary responsibility of acting in the best interest of the American people. You, as commissioners, are responsible for protecting our airwaves and access to them, and the free press that is inherent in broadcasting

My opinion is both fact based and emotive. Factually, placing a greater number of broadcast outlets in the hands of corporations like Clear Channel Communications further strips communities of their rights to the airwaves that FCC has the fiduciary responsibility to protect.

Clear Channel, as an example of the type of holding companies that will benefit from a ruling to liberalize ownership of media outlets, already actively deconverts their outlets from localized broadcasting, and places them on a centralized system that robs communities like my hometown of Marion Ohio from access thorough local news broadcast AND robs citizens living in those communities from earning a living by working at the stations with centralized programming.

Your allegiance is to this nation and its national interest. It is not granted to you to give away what belongs to you and to I to a faceless corporate world that places profits above people, but rather to protect us from interests. If you vote to liberalize ownership of media outlets, you will damage a carefully crafted and open media delivery system that will harm this nation.

Do what is right for America, not just what is right for corporate interests.